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My Dear Mr. Watson:

Returning from an absence I find yours of June 1st.

I will attempt the revision of care for the much needed new Manual. I doubt, however, if I shall be able to get the copy into your hands by Jan. 1st, as I do not expect to return from Europe until well into December. I cannot complete the article before I go, for a part of my mission abroad is to see the originals of our older species. I hope to see the herbaria of Wahlenberg, Schkuhr, Willdenow, Steudel, Boott, and others, and I shall be surprised if some of the American species do not prove to have been misunderstood. Boott did not see all these originals. I shall not get settled at Ithaca until about Jan. 15th. I shall hope to get the

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Copy ready by the middle of January if that will do. My collection of Carex is growing very rapidly, the American species being represented by between 3000 and 4000 mounted specimens.

Before I sail for Europe I shall want to ask you for introductions to two or three individuals.

The family is well, and Mrs. Bailey wishes to be remembered.

Yours truly,
L. H. Bailey